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RECEPTION DEVICE, TRANSMISSION  
DEVICE, SECURITY MODULE, AND  
DIGITAL RIGHT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM  
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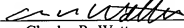
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